



Northern Transcontinental Survey

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC BOTANY

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Dear Dr. Gray,

Here is the best leaf of Fruey's single specimen of the new *Erigeron* - much good may it do you! I wish it would cure your cold which I do not like to hear of your having. In some of these *Erigerons* with hairy achenia is not the outer pappus a mere continuation of the pubescence below rather than an ordinary pappus?

I saw Mr. Redfield in Phila. yesterday. He and family are in good health.

I have now gone over all Peirce's specimens and the Cambridge set would be sent on were it not that Mr. Peirce wishes to go over the grasses again and make some notes, and requests for Mr. Putnam to aid him by comparison, of his specimens with yours. He made fine collections of grasses and some of the other specimens will be worth keeping.

Branchea specimens, both are much. The flora of the Columbia + Cascade Mt. region seems to be to a certain extent different from those of the East, South, and West. Specimens with notes will

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